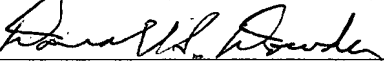


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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM  
THE EXAMINER'S DECISION TO THE  
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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the Final Office Action mailed June 1, 2004 finally  
rejecting pending claims 1, 3 and 5-8 in connection with the above-identified application.

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Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time. With a three-month extension of time, the subject application is pending on December 1, 2004. Accordingly, this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

The required fee for filing a Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) is ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$170.00), and a check for \$660.00, including \$170.00 for the appeal fee, is enclosed.

No fee, other than the enclosed fee of \$170.00 is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Notice of Appeal. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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